

# Request for Bottle Deposit Fund Reimbursement (for Retailers and Dealers)

Issued under authority of P.A. 148 of 1989.

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Under P.A. 148 of 1989, Michigan retailers and dealers who sell beverages in returnable containers can request compensation for some of the costs for handling the empty returnable containers. Reimbursements are drawn from a fund created by manufacturers and distributors who collect more deposits than they redeem. **This report is due on or before June 1, 2007. Reports postmarked after June 1, 2007 will not be honored. Treasury will not issue a check for less than \$1.** This information will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service. Form 1099-MISC will be issued for reimbursements of \$600 or more. **Do not file this form if you did not make retail sales in Michigan during 2006.**

▶ 1. Complete Company Name (include, if applicable, Corp., Inc., P.C., L.L.C., etc.)	▶ 2. Account Number used to file your sales tax returns
Business Name, Assumed Name or DBA (if used)	
Address (Number and Street, P.O. Box or RR)	
City, State, ZIP Code	
Check Appropriate Box <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/ Sole Proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

- ▶ 3. How many empty returnable containers did you handle during 2006? **Do not** report the dollar value of the containers. **Report the number of empty returnable containers you handled.** For example, if you handled 5,000 containers during 2006, you should report the quantity (5,000) not the value of the deposits (\$500).

Number of Containers

- ▶ 4. What is your source of this information? **Report containers handled, do not estimate.**

1. ☐ Invoices 2. ☐ Cash register receipts 3. ☐ Other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

- ▶ 5. Are you also an originator of deposits? "Originator" means you have not paid a deposit to another manufacturer or distributor -- the deposit started with you.

Yes ☐  
(1)

No ☐  
(0)

The Initiated Law of 1976 defines "returnable container" and "empty returnable container" as follows:

"Returnable container" means a beverage container upon which a deposit of at least 10 cents has been paid, or is required to be paid upon removal of the container from the sale or consumption area, and for which a refund of at least 10 cents in cash is payable by every dealer or distributor in this state of that beverage in beverage containers . . .

"Empty returnable container" means a beverage container which contains nothing except the residue of its original contents.

The Michigan Department of Treasury interprets the word "handled" as found in Public Act 148 of 1989 to mean an empty returnable beverage container which a consumer has returned to a dealer for a deposit refund. It also includes empty beverage containers which, when full, were sold by a dealer for consumption on the premises but upon which no deposit was collected or a refund given to a consumer.

<i>The above information may be used to issue forms 1099 and is intended to substitute for form W-9. I certify that the above information is true and complete for its intended purposes.</i>		<i>The above information may be used to issue forms 1099 and is intended to substitute for form W-9. I certify that the above information is true and complete for its intended purposes.</i>	
Signature of Owner or Officer	Date	Signature of Preparer	Date
Print or Type Name of Owner or Officer	Telephone Number	Print or Type Name of Preparer	Telephone Number

If you have questions, you may contact the Return Processing Division, Bottle Deposit Section at (517) 636-4456. Persons who have hearing or speech impairments may call (517) 636-4999 (TTY).

Mail to: **Michigan Department of Treasury**  
**Return Processing Division - SUW**  
**P.O. Box 30427**  
**Lansing, Michigan 48922**

## **Bottle Deposit Fund Reimbursement Availability**

Under Public Act 148 of 1989, Michigan retailers and dealers who sell beverages in returnable containers can request compensation for some of the costs for handling the empty returnable containers.

Reimbursements are drawn from a fund created by manufacturers and distributors who collect more deposits than they redeem.

The payment is based on the number of empty returnable containers handled in a calendar year. Payment amounts will be known after Treasury determines how much money is available.

To apply, you must complete and mail Form 2196, *Request for Bottle Deposit Fund Reimbursement (for Retailers and Dealers)* to Treasury. Form 2196 is due on or before June 1, 2007. Use Form 2196 or contact Return Processing Division, Bottle Deposit Section, at (517) 636-4456 to request a form or for more information. The form is also available on the Web at **[www.michigan.gov/business taxes](http://www.michigan.gov/business taxes)**.

Treasury will begin issuing checks after August 1.